# Partnerships, Alternative Funding, and Resource Protection



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## So you want help and more funding support.....



- > Thinking outside of the box
- Working with State and Local Governments
- > Proposals
- What you need to know about outside funding

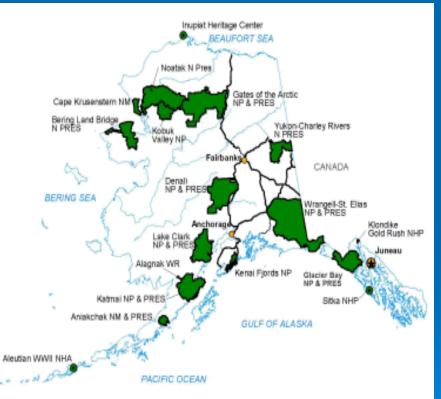
### National Park Regions











National Park	S
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- National Monument 2
- National Historic Area 3
- > Other 6
- > Total Sites 19

#### National Sites in Colorado

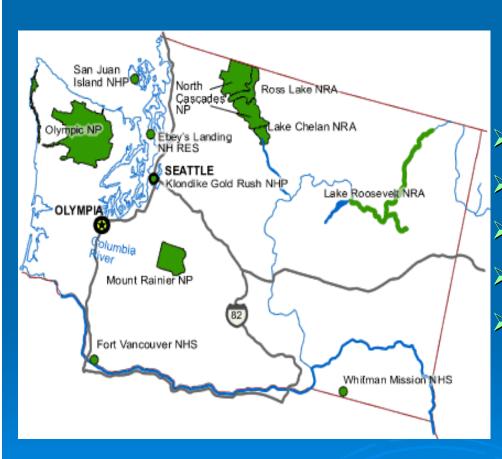




National Parks	4
National Monument	4
National Historic Area	6
Other	1
<b>Total Sites</b>	15

### National Sites in Washington





>	National Parks	3
>	National Monument	0
>	National Historic Area	7
>	Other	3
>	<b>Total Sites</b>	13

### National Sites in Michigan



>	National Parks	1
	National Monument	0
>	National Historic Area	1
>	National Lakeshore	2
>	Other	4
	<b>Total Sites</b>	6

# National Sites in New Jersey

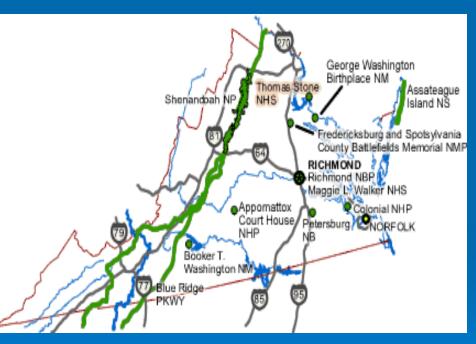




National Park
 National Monument
 National Historic Site
 Other
 Total Sites

### National Sites in Virginia





National Park	1
National Monument	2
National Seashore	1
Historic Site	2
Other	13
<b>Total Sites</b>	19

### National Sites in Florida





National Park	3
National Monument	2
National Seashore	2
Historic Site	0
Other	4
<b>Total Sites</b>	11

### Resource Agencies



- Department of Natural Resources
- Department of Ecology
- Department of Public Health and Environment
- Department of Environmental Conservation
- Department of Environmental Quality

### Benefits of Working with State and Local Governments

- > Better coordination
- > Help with problems
- Early intervention
- Prevent external impacts
- > Water law
- Water rights



# Looking For Help with Funding and Resource Decisions by the States and Local Governments

### Why Work with State and Local Governments



- They have control of most land use and permitting decisions
- It is unlikely that there will be Federal intervention in state or local processes after a final decision is made.
- It is generally easier to get what you need in most processes when you enter into them in the beginning and are a participant from the beginning.

### Benefits of working with State and Local Governments



- ➤ Local governments generally know about pending permits, planning, and land use decisions ahead of time developers often do "pre-application meeting".
- > They have access to funds and funding sources unavailable to federal agencies
- They can sometimes provide funding to Parks for projects that are of importance to both entities.

### State and Local Government Funding Sources



- State funds for mutually important projects
- > Special land acquisition funds
- State funds for mutually important projects
- Special matching money
- Mitigation funds

#### What to Do



- Find out what agencies and who in your state is responsible for managing and regulating your resources
  - Water
  - Fisheries
  - T&E species
  - Land use decisions and planning

### What to Do



- Find out if there are comparable agencies in the county or city in your area
- Meet the people in these agencies that your have identified and develop a professional working relationship with them

#### Resource Agencies

- Department of Natural Resources
- Department of Ecology
- Department of Public Health and Environment
- Department of Environmental Conservation
- Department of Environmental Quality

### Partnership Agreements



- Cooperative Agreements (CA)
- Interagency Agreements
- > General Agreements/ Agreements
- > Other

### Other Agreements



- Must still meet NPS agreement sufficiency and legal standards
- Consult with your solicitor and partnership coordinator early on
- NPS won't sign without solicitor review
- Advise solicitor of the context and background

### **Interim Partnership Process**



- > Initial
- Project definition
- > Agreement
- > Implementation

### Proposals



- Design your proposals to fit the needs of the funding agency....what do they need to have in the end.
- > SAY THAT FIRST.... What is your project and how will it meet the funding agency's needs...FIRST PARAGRAPH.
- ▶ Be Concise, Be Clear, Be Complete. More words are not better; neither are too few words if they are still wondering what your are going to do, why you are doing it, and how you will do it.



# If You Get Outside Funding.....

# Practical things to know about outside funding...



- You must have your proposal approved by your superiors and the park superintendent,
- You must determine if you are going to match resources and if so with what and everyone must agree to this,
- Must know how the account will be billed,
- Payment for services, payment by deliverable
- Must determine how payment will be received; will it go to the Park, the Region, or AOC

### Accounting



- You must keep a running accounting of your funding separately from your administration office.
- Know what is being charged to your account, request that all charges against your account be signed for by you
- Must tract all DI-1s, travel vouchers, salaries, and any administration charges against the account

#### **End of Year Close Out....**



- Depends on whether it is "no year' money
- In general must always do an end of year close out of funds
- Know the regional and national schedule for close out
- This close out should start for you at least two months before then end of the fiscal year
- Know what fiscal year the funding agency runs on
- Look for ways to extend your money beyond the fiscal year such as the student conservation association (SCA) or the local Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (CESU)

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